

Section 1. The Miami City Commission's support of the United Nations' Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women as stated in Resolution No. 00-917, adopted October 26, 2000, attached and incorporated, is restated.

Section 2. The United States Congress is urged to immediately ratify said Convention.

Section 3. The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to President George W. Bush, Vice-President Richard B. Cheney, Speaker of the House J. Dennis Hastert, Senators Bill Nelson and Bob Graham, all the members of the United States House of Representatives for Miami-Dade County, and the United States Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Section 4. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and signature of the Mayor.

POM-55. A resolution adopted by the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan relative to opposition to war in Iraq; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, A United States war against Iraq could have significant impact on the Citizens of Ann Arbor, in terms of the potential loss of life and disability among our members of the armed forces, as well as an economic impact as our local tax dollars are diverted to the costs of war, not returned to our State and our community to be spent on needed social, health and education services;

Whereas, The United States has declared this decade, 2000-2010 as the "International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence for the Children of the World" (UN Declaration 53/25, November 10, 1998), urging all people and all levels of government to seek non-violent approaches to conflict resolution and wider education about international law and alternative to war;

Whereas, A unilateral preemptive war would be a radical change in the principles of international law and custom that the United States has always followed;

Whereas, All war brings destruction and loss of lives, both of combatants and civilians, to all involved countries;

Whereas, Our U.S. Congressional Delegation, Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow and House Representatives Lynn Rivers and John Dingell, voted against unilateral war by the United States against Iraq and have urged the United States to cooperate with the United Nations in any decision on military action against Iraq, and would be encouraged by our support; and

Whereas, The Ann Arbor City Council cannot speak for all residents, but has been asked by many residents to speak out on this momentous issue facing our nation; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Ann Arbor City Council joins with the communities of Washington, D.C.; Seattle, Washington; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Takoma Park, Maryland; Arcata, California; Santa Barbara, California; Santa Cruz, California; Ithaca, New York; Santa Fee, New Mexico; Danby, New York; Sebastopol, California; New Haven, Connecticut; Oakland, California; Carrboro, North Carolina; Haines Township, Pennsylvania; Madison, Wisconsin; Burlington, Vermont; and Detroit, Michigan; and with our U.S. Congressional Delegation, Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow and Representatives Lynn Rivers and John Dingell, in opposing a war with the country of Iraq, particularly prior to taking all available measures to cooperate with the United Nations in removing all weapons of mass destruction.

POM-56. A resolution adopted by the City of Palm Bay, Florida relative to completely

banning human cloning; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

RESOLUTION No. 2003-06

Whereas, human cloning is a manufacturing process in which a human being is created in a laboratory; human cloning indicates a utilitarian view in which a human being is created merely for usefulness with no respect for the dignity of that human being; and human cloning creates a human being who is the twin of a parent, has no other biological parent, and is the child of the grandparents thereby causing serious moral, social, and legal issues, and

Whereas, current human cloning attempts pose a substantial risk of producing human beings with unpredictable but potentially devastating health problems, and

Whereas, such human cloning attempts are grossly irresponsible and unethical, and

Whereas, on July 31, 2001, the United States House of Representatives passed the Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2001, a complete human cloning ban; and the President of the United States has called for a complete human cloning ban; and

Whereas, the United States Senate failed to act on the bill passed by the United States House of Representatives before the end of the 107th Congress, and

Whereas, a complete human cloning ban is achieved by the passage of the Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2003 as introduced in the United States House of Representatives by Congressman Dave Weldon, M.D. (H.R. 234) and is not achieved by the passage of other human cloning prohibition acts that allow the creation of human embryos by cloning so long as they are killed for research: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Palm Bay, Brevard County, Florida, as follows:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and by this reference are hereby incorporated into and made an integral part of this resolution.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Palm Bay strongly urges the United States House of Representatives to pass the Human Cloning Prohibition Act of 2003 introduced by Congressman Dave Weldon, M.D.; that the United States Senate is strongly urged to pass a complete human cloning ban; that the Florida House and Senate are urged to provide identical protection for life in this state, and that the President of the United States is strongly urged to sign a complete human cloning ban.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon the enactment date.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. WARNER, without amendment:

S. Res. 57. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Armed Services.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. HATCH for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Jeffrey S. Sutton, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. DASCHLE (for himself, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BOND, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. TALENT, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 385. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to eliminate methyl tertiary butyl ether from the United States fuel supply, to increase production and use of renewable fuel, and to increase the Nation's energy independence, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CORZINE (for himself, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. SARBANES, and Mr. AKAKA):

S. 386. A bill to establish a grant program to enhance the financial and retirement literacy of mid-life and older Americans and to reduce financial abuse and fraud among such Americans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself, Mr. REID, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. REED, Mr. KENNEDY, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 387. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend the eligibility periods for geriatric graduate medical education, to permit the expansion of medical residency training programs in geriatric medicine, to provide for reimbursement of care coordination and assessment services provided under the medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 388. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the dependent care tax credit, to accelerate the child tax credit, and to promote dependent care assistance programs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 389. A bill to increase the supply of quality child care; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 390. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide retroactive effect to a sentencing safety valve provision; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 391. A bill to enhance ecosystem protection and the range of outdoor opportunities protected by statute in the Skykomish River valley of the State of Washington by designating certain lower-elevation Federal lands as wilderness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JOHNSON, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. MILLER, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SMITH,